The proposal, of the Utkal University for specification of BITM degree was considered by the University Grants Commission.The Commission did not approve the same.The Utkal University has agreed to change the nomenclature of BITM to B.Sc. (ITM) from the session 2001-2002.

In view of the interest of the students already pursuing this degree in Utkal University, the UGC has decided to permit recognition of BITM only to the already enrolled students till the academic session 2000-2001. Approval of AICTE is not required for this purpose.

Maintenance of stadia in Delhi

* 85. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that stadia in Delhi were poorly maintained before the decision to host the Afro-Asian Games was taken;

(b) what amount of money was spent to maintain those stadia; and

(c) how many stadia have been upgraded by the SAI?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SUSHREE UMA BHARTI): (a) to (c) The routine maintenance of the stadia of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) in Delhi was carried out on regular basis. However, following availability of funds for the preparations for Afro-Asian Games, the SAI Stadia in Delhi were upgraded to meet international standards. In addition, some other stadia belonging to other agencies were also upgraded by them.

A total amount of Rs. 13640.09 lakhs has been spent on maintenance of SAI stadia/building from 1984-85 to 2001 -2002.

The following stadia were upgraded in 2001 in connection with hosting of the First Afro-Asian Games:—

Stadia upgraded by SAI.

(i) Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium;

(ii) Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium;

(iii) Dr. Syama Prasad Mookherjee Swimming Pool;

(iv) Dr. Kami Singh Shooting Ranges; and

(v) Indira Gandhi Stadium.

Stadia upgraded by other agencies

(i) R.K. Khanna Lawn Tennis Stadium;

(ii) Shivaji Stadium;

(iii) Chhattarsal Stadium; and

(iv) Dr. Ambedkar Stadium

Cll Survey on Bio-Tech Sector

* 86. SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD:
DR.T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey was conducted by the Confederation of Indian Industry, on the bio-tech sector, covering 52 companies;

(b) if so, whether they have found the bio-tech in one of the fastest emerging sectors in the country and has projected it to grow to $ 4.5 billion by the end of 2010;

(c) whether Government have examined the survey report;

(d) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to implement the suggestions made in the survey report; and

(e) what steps are being taken to invest more in the bio-tech industry?

THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) has conducted a survey on modern bio-tech industries and the data projected in the survey report is based on the information collected on 52 companies. The survey report has projected the growth of bio-tech industry to the tune of US $ 4.5 billion by the year 2010.